

MARICOPA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTE BOOK

May 16, 2005

The Board of Directors of Maricopa County Library District, Phoenix, Arizona convened in Informal Session at 9:00 a.m., May 16, 2005, in the Supervisors' Conference Room, 301 W. Jefferson, Phoenix, Arizona, with the following members present: Max W. Wilson, Chairman, District 4; Don Stapley, Vice Chairman, District 2, Fulton Brock, District 1; Andrew Kunasek, District 3, and Mary Rose Wilcox, District 5. Also present: Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board; Shirley Million, Administrative Coordinator; David Smith, County Manager; and Paul Golab, Deputy County Attorney. *Votes of the Members will be recorded as follows: aye-nay-absent-abstain.*

PRESENTATION OF FY 2005-06 RECOMMENDED TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE LIBRARY DISTRICT

Presentation of the FY 2005-06 Library District recommended tentative budget. (C4905037800) (ADM2800-003)

David Smith, County Manager
Sandi Wilson, Deputy County Manager
Chris Bradley, Deputy Budget Director
Brian Hushek, Deputy Budget Director

Brian Hushek reported on the \$15.256 million tentative expenditure budget for the Library District for FY 2005-06 and said this budget reflected a \$2.02 million decrease over the previous year's budget. The secondary property tax rate will be lowered from \$0.0521 to \$0.0421 and this decrease will save taxpayers approximately \$1.65 million. Two new libraries will be opened during this fiscal year, the first in Aguilera in August 2005 and the second in Avondale is scheduled to open in July 2006. A new cashing system will be implemented and the Board of Directors will be asked to revisit their strategic direction during the year.

Chairman Wilson clarified that construction had not yet begun on the Avondale Library.

Director Stapley asked about the upcoming strategic planning meeting for the Library District saying that the Town of Gilbert was interested in their future plans. He said that since the projection was to lower the rate and reduce the budget allotment he wanted to be certain this would be discussed before the District's budget is finalized. David Smith assured him that the Board could make adjustments on the tax rate until it is finalized in August, if they so chose.

Director Wilcox said that the City of Phoenix will not be able to open the Laveen Library as soon as they thought because of cutbacks and asked if this would have any effect on the County's Bookmobile that services the area. It was determined that Harry Courtwright would begin informing the Board members of the Bookmobile's hours of operation and locations for their reference for their interaction with constituents.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Max W. Wilson, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board